STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS DEPARTMENT POLICIES

SUBJECT: Veterans Aid Loan - Applicant Eligibility

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1) The Applicant must be either a Veteran as Defined in N.D.C.C. § 37-14-01.1 or an unremarried widow/widower of an eligible Veteran.

37-14-01.1. Definition of veteran.

As used in this chapter, "veteran" means an individual who served in the armed forces of the United States on federal active duty:

- For reasons other than training and who has been discharged under other than dishonorable conditions; or
- 2. To whom the United States veterans administration has assigned a service-connected disability rating.
- 2) The applicant must have the financial ability to repay the loan.
- 3) The applicant must be a resident of North Dakota for one (1) year prior to date of application.

Applicants that have been incarcerated in a Correctional or Correctional Treatment Facility.

- a. Applicants must provide proof of one (1) year North Dakota residency prior to entering a correctional or correctional treatment facility.
- b. Time spent incarcerated does not count toward the one (1) year residency time requirement.
- c. Applicants currently incarcerated in a correctional or correctional treatment facility are not eligible to apply.
- 4) If application is found to include fraudulent information, the application shall not be considered.
- 5) Applicants may be eligible for both the hardship assistance program and the loan program.
- 6) Applicants who have outstanding delinquent Veterans Aid Loans are eligible for the Grant Program.